

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Mitsuhiro OSHIKI et al.  
Serial No.: 10/593,072  
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Title: MEDICAL IMAGING DIAGNOSIS APPARATUS  
AND MEDICAL IMAGING DIAGNOSIS METHOD  
Group: 3768  
Examiner: BRUTUS, Joel F.  
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**AMENDMENT****Mail Stop: AF**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 19, 2010, the period of response for which extension of time is requested in the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and concurrently filed with the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE), please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

**Amendments** to the claims begin on page 2;

**Remarks** are included beginning on page 10; and

**Authorization** is included on page 20.